

cruel revenge on those who had disavowed his authority. Before he quitted Paris on the 15th of April Napoleon had recalled under the banners of the army 180,000 men, exclusive of the guards of honor, and it was evident that with such a force he might venture on a great game and probably win it. Yet the month of April passed away without the occurrence of any event important to the Hanse Towns, the inhabitants of which vacillated between hope and fear. Attacks daily took place between parties of Russian and French troops on the territory between Lunenburg and Bremen. In one of these encounters General Morand was mortally wounded, and was conveyed to Lunenburg. His brother having been taken prisoner in the name engagement, Tettenborn, into whose hands he had fallen, gave him leave *on parole* to visit the General ; but he arrived in Lunenburg only in time to see him die.

*Tin\** French having advanced as far as Haarburch took up their position on the plateau of Hehwardzenberg, which commands that little town and the considerable islands situated in that part of the river between Haarburch and Hamburg. Being masters of this elevated point they began to threaten Hamburg and to attack Haarburch. These attacks were directed by Vandannu, of all our generals the most redoubtable in conquered countries. He was a native of Oasse, in Flanders, and had acquired a high reputation for severity. At the very time when he was attacking Hamburg, "Napoleon said of him at Dresden, "If I were to lose Vandannu I know not what I would give to have him back again; but if I had two such generals I should be obliged to shoot one of them." It must be confessed that one was quite enough.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Dmnbifgm\* Vnndamme, Comte d'Uneburg, distinguished himself in the wars of tin\* itopuhlie and of the Empire\* and would have soon made a Mar-Kim! In 1811, when his dituiHter at Kulm (perluuw partly produced by hid ktiowli) <1#f that a great misceiw would bring him lito *Mton*) ruined his own career um.1 Napoleon's best chance of HucceHB. he had, an Hourrionne says, the worst of ohanuitors, and when taken prlHoner at Kulm was roughly tr\*\*att\*(l by Alexander on account of his pillage. Intentionally or not, van-dttuuiKs forgetting the story of the death of Paul II., took a bitter revenge by romulainint that Ataxandar could not have treated him worse. If he had ammiwlitated hli fatbor. In 1814, IxmiH XVI.II. waft foolishly persuaded to hav\* Vatulminme rtilely rdtiilMf\*u when he presented hhiHelf at the Tuileries with tl>> other (Knerwi ox lli> rank, Thw was done at the time that the